



Light the 1st
Advent Candle
and read the
reflection.



Light the 2nd
Advent Candle
and read the
reflection.



Light the 3rd
Advent Candle
and read the
reflection.



Light the 4th
Advent Candle
and read the
reflection.



Set up
the nativity.

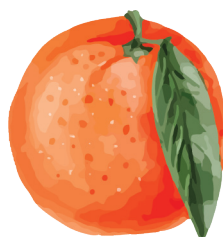


Go to a
Christmas tree
lighting.

Create
paper chains
and snowflakes.



Decorate
the tree.



Offer to
hang lights
for an elderly
neighbor.





Make
snowman
pancakes.



Build a fort by the
Christmas tree.



At dinner,
share one thing
you love about
each other.

Make
pinecone
bird feeders.



Write a letter
to Santa.



Wear cozy
pajamas and
watch a
Christmas movie.



Go to a
live nativity.



Invite people over
for a meal.

Go ice skating.



Donate
money in the
Salvation Army
bucket.



Shop for
sibling gifts.



Put a snack basket
for delivery
drivers by your
front door.



Make a
Christmas craft.



Donate
gently used
books and toys.



Read a
winter story
at bedtime.

Build a
gingerbread
house.



Make dinner
using only red,
white, and green
ingredients.



Have a
Christmas music
dance party in
the living room.



Put together
a family puzzle.



At the store,
let someone ahead
of you in line.



Visit a
nursing home.



Call or make
plans with
someone who
lives alone.



Have a
Spirited Christmas
Scavenger Hunt.



Memorize a
verse together
as a family.

Bake cookies.



Drive around
and look at
Christmas lights.



Play iMOM's
Christmas Bingo.





Enjoy cozy
beverages.



Go on a
winter walk.



Have a
snowball fight,
real or fake.



Read iMOM's
The Story of
Christmas.



Snap a
family picture
and send it to the
grandparents.



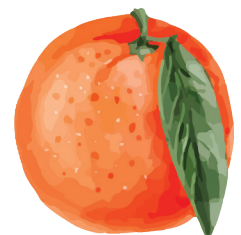
Pour in
the bubbles
at bathtime.



Leave a
generous tip.

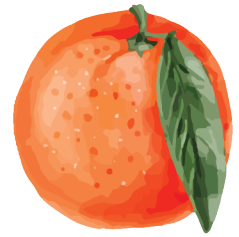


Pack some sealed
goodies in a bag
and give them to
a homeless person.



Read
Christmas Jokes
at dinner.





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Advent Reflections

Week **1**

Hope – Mary's Hope

Scripture: Luke 1:30–33 (NIRV)

But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary. God is very pleased with you. You will become pregnant and give birth to a son. You must call him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High God."

Devotional:

Gabriel told Mary that she would have a very special baby—Jesus, the Son of God. This was a big responsibility, and it would change Mary's whole life. She probably had her own plans and dreams, just like you do. But when God called her to this important task, Mary said "yes" with hope and trust. She didn't know exactly how everything would work out, but she trusted that God had a plan. Mary's hope wasn't just for her own family, but for the whole world. She knew that through Jesus, God was bringing hope to everyone. When Mary said "yes" to God's plan, she became a part of bringing that hope to life.

Reflection Questions:

- What are some things you hope for?
- How can we share hope with others, just like Mary shared hope with the world through Jesus?

Prayer:

Dear God, thank You for the hope You give us in Jesus. Help us trust You like Mary did, knowing that Your plans are always good. **Amen.**



Advent Reflections

Week **2**

Peace – The Shepherds' Peace

Scripture: Luke 2:8–14 (NIRV)

There were shepherds living out in the fields nearby. It was night, and they were taking care of their sheep. An angel of the Lord appeared to them. And the glory of the Lord shone around them. They were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news. It will bring great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you. He is the Messiah, the Lord. Here is how you will know I am telling you the truth. You will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth and lying in a manger.”

Suddenly a large group of angels from heaven also appeared. They were praising God. They said, “May glory be given to God in the highest heaven! And may peace be given to those he is pleased with on earth!”

Devotional:

The shepherds were doing their regular work when angels appeared, filling the sky with light and announcing the birth of Jesus. At first, they were afraid, but the angels told them not to fear because Jesus' birth announcement was good news! That night, the shepherds discovered the peace that only Jesus can bring. In the middle of their everyday lives, they experienced peace, just knowing the Savior had come. Jesus brings us that same peace today, calming our fears and giving us comfort no matter what.

Reflection Questions:

- What are some things that make you feel afraid or worried?
- How can you remind yourself that Jesus helps you feel calm and safe, just like He did for the shepherds?

Prayer:

Dear Jesus, thank You for bringing peace to the shepherds and to us. When we are afraid, help us trust that You are with us and will give us Your peace. **Amen.**



Advent Reflections

Week **3**

Joy – The Wise Men's Joy

Scripture: Matthew 2:9–10 (NIRV)

After the Wise Men had listened to the king, they went on their way. The star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them. It finally stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were filled with joy.

Devotional:

The Wise Men traveled a long way, following a star that led them to Jesus. When they finally found Him, they were filled with joy. Jesus was the King they had been seeking, and their hearts overflowed with happiness. This joy was not just because they found Jesus but because they knew He was the Savior sent by God. We can have that same joy today, knowing that Jesus loves us and came to save us. Our joy doesn't depend on what happens around us but on the good news of Jesus!

Reflection Questions:

- What are some things that bring you joy?
- How can we, like the Wise Men, find joy in Jesus even when things are hard?

Prayer:

Dear God, thank You for the joy You gave the Wise Men when they found Jesus. Help us find joy in knowing that Jesus loves us and is always with us. **Amen.**



Advent Reflections

Week **4**

Love – God's Love for Us Today

Scripture: John 3:16 (NIRV)

God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but will have eternal life.

Devotional:

The story of Christmas is the story of God's incredible love for us. He loved us so much that He sent His Son, Jesus, to be born as a baby. Jesus didn't just come to live with us—He came to save us and give us eternal life. Because of God's great love, we can love others in the same way. On Christmas, we celebrate Jesus' birthday and God's greatest gift of love. And, just like God showed His love for us through Jesus, we can look for ways to show kindness, love, and compassion to those around us.

Reflection Questions:

- How do you feel knowing that God loves you so much that He sent Jesus for you?
- What are some ways we can show love to others?

Prayer:

Dear God, thank You for loving us so much that You sent Jesus to be our Savior. Help us show Your love to others this week. **Amen.**